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SUBJECT: HEW REQUEST FOR FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE

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1. THE EMBASSY WILL BE HAPPY TO ASSIST DR. MENGEN WITH HIS ITINERARY IN GERMANY. ALTHOUGH HOLIDAYS WILL STILL BE IN EFFECT IN BAVARIA AND NORTH RHINE-WEST-PHALLIA (BONN AND DUESSELDORF), THE POST BELIEVES A FAIRLY USEFUL SCHEDULE CAN BE DRAWN UP FOR HIM HERE DURING THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 2. HOWEVER, HE SHOULD BE AWARE OF THE FACT THAT NEITHER COMPENSATORY EDUCATION NOR THE ASSESSMENT OF THE EFFECTIVENESS OF EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS ARE FIELDS WHERE GERMANY HAS VERY MUCH TO OFFER. COMPENSATORY EDUCATION IS VIEWED LARGELY IN TERMS OF EDUCATION FOR HANDICAPPED CHILDREN; IN ADDITION, THERE IS SOME CONCERN WITH THE EDUCATION OF THE CHILDREN OF FOREIGN WORKERS. IN LIEU OF ASSESSMENT, THE EMPHASIS IS ON PLANNING.

2. DR. MENGEN WILL BE WELCOME AT THE FEDERAL EMPLOYMENT OFFICE IN NUERNBERG ON SEPTEMBER 2 WHERE MR. WOHLLEBEN, THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF THE CAREER EDUCATION DIVISION, WOULD BE AVAILABLE. PRESIDENT STINGL WILL BE ABSENT THAT DAY BUT IS ANXIOUS TO MEET HIM AND MAY CATCH UP WITH HIM IN BONN.

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3. WE HAVE BEEN ASSURED BY THE FEDERAL MINISTRY OF EDUCATION THAT IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE FOR HIM TO MEET WITH EXPERTS IN HIS FIELDS OF INTEREST IN BONN SEPTEMBER 4 AND 5, INCLUDING STATE SECRETARY JOCHIMSEN, DR. ROMMEL IN EDUCATION FOR THE HANDICAPPED, DR. BECKERHOFF IN PLANNING AND EVALUATION, AND MR. JUNG IN THE FEDMIN OF LABOR ON RETRAINING PROGRAMS. TIME PERMITTING, HIS PROGRAM IN BONN COULD BE FLESHED OUT WITH MEETINGS WITH HASEMANN, DIRECTOR OF THE FEDERAL-STATE EDUCATION PLANNING DIVISION, AND WITH THE PERMANENT CONFERENCE OF THE MINISTERS OF CULTURE.

4. BOTH THE MINISTRY AND THE POST BELIEVE DR. MENGES SHOULD ROUND OUT HIS STAY IN GERMANY WITH TALKING WITH OFFICIALS AT ONE OF THE STATE MINISTRIES OF EDUCATION SINCE THEY ARE MORE DIRECTLY CONCERNED WITH EDUCATION PROGRAMS THAN THE FEDERAL OFFICES. WE SUGGEST HE SET ASIDE SEPTEMBER 6 FOR A VISIT TO THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION IN LAND NORTH RHINE-WESTPHALIA IN DUESSELDORF; ADVISE.

5. PLEASE INFORM SOONEST RE HIS PLANS SO APPOINTMENTS CAN BE MADE.
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